

Kolyshniy Student - Колишній Студент

Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union
Союз Українського Студентства Канади
Alumni Association



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Ми є дуже раді висилати вам третє видання обіжника колишніх членів СУСКу. Це число дуже важне, бо воно присвячене 45-ому ювілею заснування СУСКу в 1953 році.

We are thrilled that at this year's congress, February 20-22, 1997 in Hamilton, we will be celebrating SUSK's 45th year of existence. I hope to see many of you there, as at the banquet we will be unveiling our Commemorative artwork. We are also hoping to have as our guest speaker one of the founders of SUSK. Think of it as a reunion.



Message from the SUSK President....

We are eagerly awaiting SUSK's 45th Anniversary held in conjunction with the Annual SUSK Congress. The National Executive would like to sincerely extend an invitation to all Alumni to attend and support this milestone.

We also encourage all alumni to come out and support the Second Chornobyl Commemorative Blood Drive. On February 4, 1998 go to your local Red Cross to donate blood.

Yours in SUSK,
Gena Slawuta
President



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SUSK Alumni List Update

We have hired Viktoria Kopinec to go through and organize the numerous number of pages that we retrieved from the National Archives in Ottawa.

Viktoria has the time-consuming job of taking each name and then searching that name on the Canada Phone program. If that person is not listed (as is often the case of many of our female alumni or those living out of the country) she copies down the entire list of people with the same last name. We then attempt to contact the people on the list to see if they know the whereabouts of the individual we are searching for. After we find the people we are looking for, we add them to our ever growing database of SUSK Alumni. We estimate that some 3000 individuals have been members of Ukrainian Students Organizations across Canada, since 1953.

INFORMATION REQUEST

We are looking for anyone who knows the whereabouts of the videos made in the 1970's during the government funded fieldwork experiences. The videos were produced by SUSK, specifically by SUSK Video. If you know the whereabouts of these videos, please let us know or send them in.

Also, if you have any SUSK archival material, please send it to me as well so that I can organize it and submit it to the archives. Local club archival material should remain with each club. A contact list is included on the last page of this publication.



1953 - 1998

The 45th Anniversary Commemorative Edition of STUDENT needs your articles. Please send your 100 - 500 word memories, stories or congratulatory letters.

The deadline for submissions is January 25, 1998. Mail to STUDENT 11422 - 91 Street Edmonton, AB T5B 4A5 or email them to lmcdonal@gpu.srv.ualberta.ca.

Lisa and Gena visit the National Archives

by Lisa McDonald

Gena (SUSK President), Volodymyr Boychuk (past president) and I were extremely lucky to fundraise enough money for ourselves to attend the Eastern Conference in St. Catharines as well as do some research in the SUSK Archives that are housed in Ottawa. In able to officially issue of the newspaper received with remembered the heyday in the

Gena and I Ottawa, to the where 30 boxes

paperwork and other archives are painstakingly cared for by SUSK Alumnus, Myron Momryk. On this trip, in our rented station wagon, we were able to deliver 3 boxes of archives. These boxes have been kept at St. Vlad's in Toronto since the 80's. We managed to sneak a peak at about 10 out of the 30 boxes of archives that exist containing material from 1953 - 1970's.

Here is some history that you may remember:

- ◆ SUSK President resigns over a poster of a Ukrainian girl holding a sickle in her hands.
- ◆ Student arrested as he waves Ukrainian flag at Olympic athletes.
- ◆ The Dolly Kolmar STUDENT issue.

Unfortunately we were only able to spend a day in Ottawa as we had to make our way to St. Catharine's for Eastern Conference. We took the long way through New York State and were able to catch up with some SUSTA members in Buffalo. SUSTA for the most part is reviving itself and the future looks good as the leadership base seems strong.

The Eastern Conference which was hosted by the Brock Ukrainian Students' Club in St. Catharines was a tremendous success. I was able to attend one 2 years previous in Hamilton and I always leave these conferences with a renewed fervor for SUSK affairs.

- If you would like to write your student reminiscences for the next issue, please send any submissions to Kolyshniy Student by April 15, 1998 at 11422 - 91 St., Edmonton, AB. T5B4A5 or email: lmcdonal@gpu.srv.ualberta.ca.



Portrait of A President

SUSK's First President - Vera Watowich (nee Zarowski)

After our marriage in 1957, my husband, a geologist, and I were posted by Falkonbridge Nickel Company to the Dominican Republic for a two year term. Our first daughter, Anna-Maria was born there. Next posting was to Onaping, Ontario where our next two - Stanley, Jr. and Jean were born. This was a three year posting. Following this we were posted to Rosita, Nicaragua for a two year term. And then back to Canada to Noranda, Quebec. Here we stayed until 1971 and our three children - Mark, Greg and Bernadette were born there. We survived the FLQ crisis in 1968 and the following problems that surfaced in Quebec. Here too, we had a small Ukrainian Mission Parish. In 1971 we were given our next assignment in Timmins/South Porcupine area. Once again we were fortunate to have a Ukrainian Catholic Parish here where the children could follow their traditions.

In 1974 we were assigned to another project in Northern Minnesota - Babbitt- Ely area. Here we lived until 1982 and then were assigned to a project in the California desert. We lived in Yuma, Arizona until 1991 and witnessed the development and growth of one of the largest gold mines in the U.S.A. - the Mesquite mine in California. This was one of my husband's major projects. In 1991 we were posted to the headquarters of Goldfields Mining Company in Denver, Colorado. We are still here. My husband has retired. I still continue to teach computer technology at a private school here in Lakewood.

The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) is holding it's annual Chornobyl Commemoration Blood Drive on February 4, 1998. All students and interested individuals are invited to go to your nearest Canadian Red Cross Centre to donate blood. Your donation will help save the lives of Canadians, while commemorating the 1986 Chornobyl nuclear disaster and it's thousands of victims. For more information call Ron Bayda at (403) 475 0140.

The explosion at the Chornobyl nuclear power plant in the early morning of April 26, 1986 was a tragic event that impacted many lives. The radiation and environmental damage caused by this accident continues to plague Ukraine and neighboring nations and will continue to do so for many generations to come.

The main objectives of the Chornobyl Commemoration Blood Drive are to:

1. Demonstrate that there are many Canadians who are willing to donate their blood as a symbolic act of solidarity and compassion for the victims of Chornobyl.
2. Contribute to the hundreds of thousands of litres of blood that are required in Canada annually.
3. Continue creating a general public awareness about the Chornobyl disaster.
4. Inform the media and Government bodies at all levels about the tragic aftermath of this nuclear catastrophe.

Where are they now....

Dana Boyko (1980 - 82 Congress Coordinator and VP) has her BA and MA from U of T and is Vice President, Portfolio Management at Nesbitt Burns.

Taisa Monastyrski (1982-1986) is the general manager for Vancouver's Tropak Ukrainian Dance Theatre as well as completed a B.Sc. in Computer Science and Applied Math.

Pat Tymchatyn (Pres. 1982 - 84) owns her own business in Saskatoon called the Backyard Naturalist.

Adrianna Tatarka (Secretary, VP 1994 - 95) and Pavlo Grod (pres.) tied the proverbial knot in November 1997. Adrianna is working as a Client Representative for Bell Canada while Pavlo is working on becoming a lawyer at the University of Windsor.

Jon Tomas (Pres. 1995) is a knight errant with a BA in English and is working on a B.Sc. in physiology. Jon received the Nation Building Award given by the Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Federation at their National Convention in 1997.

George Samoil (1980 - 84) made the cover of the Computer Section of the Edmonton Journal.

The title of the article was "George Samoil is Ralph's Computer Guy", which refers to George's position as Chief Information Officer with Ralph Klein's government (Alberta's Premier).



Candace Brydon, The Edmonton Journal Aug. 21, 1987



Вічна

Nicholas (Mykola) Lypowecky -
Susk VP 1960

SUSK Member Clubs 1953 - 1997

This is a list of Clubs that have ever been SUSK members (individuals can not be members of SUSK only student clubs)

University of British Columbia - Vancouver

University of Victoria

University of Alberta - Edmonton

University of Calgary

University of Saskatchewan - Saskatoon

University of Regina

Alpha-Omega - Regina

Kameniari - Saskatoon

Obnova - Saskatoon

University of Manitoba - Winnipeg

Literary Circle, University of Manitoba - Winnipeg

Obnova - Winnipeg

University of Brandon

Winnipeg SUSK

University of Western Ontario

McMaster University - Hamilton

University of Toronto

University of Windsor

Brock University - St. Catharine's

Erindale College - Toronto

University of Guelph

Lakehead University - Thunder Bay

Laurentian University - Sudbury

University of Ottawa

Ryerson College - Toronto

Scarborough College - Toronto

University of Waterloo

York University - Toronto

Queen's University - Kingston

Concordia University - Montreal

McGill University - Montreal

Quebec SUSK - Montreal

If you notice any club missing please let me know.

UNVEILING

SUSK is proud to have Alumnus Olya Bociurkiw creating our 45th Anniversary Commemorative Artwork. The official unveiling will be on Saturday February 21, 1996 at the SUSK Congress Banquet. Please plan to attend and pick up your very own limited edition print. For more details please see your personal invitation.

Active Ukrainian Student Organizations

Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union

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Brock University Ukrainian Student Club

Danylo Soja and Mike Stechy

c/o Brock University USC,

55 McMann Dr.; Thorold, ON; L2V 2V6

phone: (905) 682 1978

Concordia Ukrainian Student Union

Mark Konanec

Dean of Students Office, 2315 McKay

Montreal, PQ H3J 2J2

phone: (514) 356-0948

McGill Ukrainian Student Association

Stefan Popowich

3480 rue McTavish; Room 416

Montreal, PQ H3A 1X9

McMaster University Ukrainian Student Club

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University of Saskatchewan Ukrainian Students' Club

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University of Toronto Ukrainian Students' Club

Orest Skilerczak

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Toronto, ON M5S 2H4

phone: (416) 968-9222

email: usc@campuslife.utoronto.ca

University of Waterloo Ukrainian Students' Club

Orest Szczurko

c/o Federation of Students, Campus Ctr,

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University of Western Ontario Ukrainian Students' Club

c/o Ukrainian Students Association

Students Council Office Room 340

UCC Building, UWO N6A 3K7

University of Windsor Ukrainian Students' Association

John Feloniuk and Pavlo Horbal

c/o UWSA Office

2nd Floor Student Centre; University of Windsor

Windsor, ON N9B 3P4

University of Winnipeg Ukrainian Students' Club

Taisa Monastyrsky

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